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Amendment to the September 7, 2016 Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Mr. Holman asked to amend the minutes as follows: Page 2, 3rd paragraph under Meet with Coni Porter – Currently reads: Mr. Holman thought that if median strips were done – later would make it more likely that we would go to lights and then a roundabout. To read: *Mr. Holman asked them why they thought it would go from median to lights v. possibly looking at doing a rotary later.*

Ms. Carney made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Holman seconded. Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0



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BOARD MEETING MINUTES September 7, 2016

Selectmen Present: Susan Silverman, Nancy Carney, Chris Holman

Ms. Silverman called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

PRIMARY:

*** APPROVE MINUTES

August 30, 2016

Mr. Holman made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Carney seconded. Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

*** APPROVE MANIFESTS

Mr. Holman made a motion to approve the manifests. Ms. Carney seconded. Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

*** **REVIEW SIGNATURE FOLDER** – The Selectmen reviewed and signed.

7:15 MEET WITH MARK DUNTON

At 7:17 p.m. Ms. Carney made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II(c). Mr. Holman seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. At 7:29 p.m. Mr. Holman made a motion to leave non-public session and seal the minutes as disclosure would adversely affect the reputation of the person other than a member of the board. Ms. Carney seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes.

7:30 MEET WITH CRAIG ROBIDOUX AND BOB HANDY Re: Webb Hill Road

Bob Handy and Craig Robidoux met with the Selectmen to discuss parking on Webb Hill Road. Mr. Handy stated people were parking on the road and his driveway was a turnaround for the traffic on the road. Mr. Handy shared that when his neighbor started having parties at his house with 20 cars, as soon as they park on one side of his driveway, Mr. Handy can't turn into his driveway. Gene Cuomo shared at one time there was an ordinance allowing only parking on one side of the road. Mr. Handy stated it was parking on his neighbor's side and Mr. Handy can't get out with his construction trailer. Mr. Holman asked how big of an area it was. Craig Robidoux stated it wasn't a big area where he was parking. Mr. Handy shared that his neighbor told him he was just parking there while he got the porta potty but left it there for 2 days. Mr. Handy stated you can't turnaround - have to drive to Winston Roy's. Ms. Silverman asked if there was something other than in the winter. Mr. Cuomo stated there wasn't anything except in the winter unless there was an ordinance. Ms. Favreau looked up the parking ordinances and found a 1978 ordinance that stated no parking zone specific to utility pole 18/10 - 138 Webb Hill Road both sides. It was mentioned that this was an old address. Mr. Cuomo stated he would put up more signs and would find out the location of the utility pole mentioned in the ordinance. Mr. Handy stated the road was very narrow. Mr. Cuomo mentioned not having had this issue for a long time and he asked the Selectmen if they wanted to change the ordinance. Ms. Silverman stated she wanted to enforce what we have. Mr. Cuomo asked Mr. Handy if he had called the police regarding parking. Ms. Silverman shared with Mr. Handy the need to make a call into the Police Department. Mr. Robidoux stated it doesn't always work. He shared that two weeks ago he had an issue with kids at the quarry. A Police Officer had been up there a few minutes earlier and didn't do anything. The Police Officer thought they were allowed to swim there. Mr. Robidoux stated the quarry had been posted by the owner. Ms. Silverman encouraged them to call the Police Department so there would be

documentation when these events occur – when parking was a problem. Ms. Silverman shared call for service was documented. Mr. Robidoux shared it has been horrible this summer. Ms. Silverman stated it helps build a case and we need to enforce our ordinance. This was the first the Selectmen have heard of the problem. Ms. Carney stated the need to remind the Police Department. Mr. Holman mentioned making sure the old addresses correspond to the new addresses. Ms. Silverman stated the Selectmen could discuss whether we need to expand. Mr. Cuomo would check tomorrow and put up new signs on both sides of the road. Discussion was held on where the signs would be posted, enforcing the ordinance, and having an emergency.

The Selectmen thanked Mr. Handy and Mr. Robidoux for meeting with them.

Mr. Cuomo shared that he and Ms. Favreau would go through the ordinances and make sure the Police Department has a book of ordinances.

Ms. Silverman shared with Mr. Cuomo that the question about road work had come up during a discussion on Complete Streets. Ms. Silverman asked what roads would be worked on in the next 3 years. Mr. Cuomo shared he would be working around the lake for another couple of years. Ms. Silverman asked for an updated list. Ms. Favreau shared that Dorothy Zug had called to say that she had quoted the snow plow cost incorrectly – the cost of a used 1996 snow plow was \$57,000. Mr. Cuomo shared that he was ordering material for the boat ramp and would add money in next year's budget for boat ramp maintenance. Mr. Cuomo stated he was doing some sign work as some road signs and mailboxes had been vandalized.

7:45 MEET WITH CONI PORTER

Coni Porter and a few residents wanted to meet with the Selectmen to revisit the roundabout. Ms. Porter stated that everyone has a different perspective of what a roundabout was. Ms. Porter gave the Selectmen some information on the roundabout. Ms. Porter had talked with people that live down in the area. Ms. Porter stated it sets the tone for the town - plan for the future. Ms. Porter shared that for her the roundabout was good for the town and the questions about first responders was valid. Ms. Porter also shared that the state puts out information and on safety – roundabouts were safer than lights. Ms. Porter stated that median strips would eventually need a light.

Ms. Porter has been in touch with some people from the state because of business concerns. NHDOT suggested that she contact someone in Laconia to find out how the businesses felt before and after. NHDOT since 1984, on all construction contracts address that businesses stay in business. Matt Buonomano reviewed a letter from people who live on Jaffrey Road - concerned that some of the proposals involved closing Jaffrey Road Extension. Ms. Carney reviewed the 2 options given to the state. All others were taken off of the table. Ms. Silverman stated she appreciated the letter and that's what the Selectmen asked for people to submit their written comments. Discussion was held on no good signage in the intersection, and turning left into Mr. Mike's from Rt 119 E. Mr. Buonomano shared that people were concerned with making sure that whatever happens in the intersection that it is kept pedestrian friendly. They want to make sure designs are done with that in mind. Ms. Silverman shared her understanding was the state was looking for a recommendation from the Selectmen. The Selectmen would put a survey on the website and would be discussing the draft tonight. Ms. Silverman shared that Frank Bequaert has given input on the survey. Ms. Porter asked how they were getting the word out to tell people that the survey was on the website. Ms. Silverman stated NHDOT wanted something by the end of this month but it wasn't realistic. Next week was the deadline for the October newsletter and people need a week to respond. Ms. Silverman stated that people who attended the meeting spoke and some more than once. It was the Selectmen's intent to have everyone's input. Ms. Silverman noted that FlipSide was the only business in attendance. Ms. Silverman shared that she appreciated the letter from Mr. Buonomano and stated the state would be notified that we couldn't get them a recommendation before November. Something would be put in the newsletter asking for input by October 5th. The Selectmen would look at the results of the survey and would have a discussion.

Steve Reinhart stated he wasn't sure why they had taken out the islands on Rt 123 in Hancock and now it was back to what it used to be. Ms. Carney shared the lights and blinking light were going to stay. Mr. Reinhart mentioned Rt 10 in Hanover – dealing with traffic with two roundabouts with the fire station in between. A low berm for emergency vehicles was put in. Long term vision – do once – chose the roundabout. Ms. Porter shared that she had talked with an urban planner who felt that roundabouts were most effective when intersections looks like ours. Mr. Holman thought that if median strips were done - later would make it more likely that we would go to lights and then a roundabout. Erik Durmer commented the state was going to invest a half million dollars and they were not going to come back and say they made a half million dollar mistake – add on to what was there. Mr. Holman thought it was a median with a third lane. Mr. Durmer thought the third lane was after the island and he didn't think it was a painted solution. Ms. Porter shared that she had talked with Mike Dugas after the meeting and his opinion was that whatever we decided – that was it. The state was not coming back in 10-20 years.

Ms. Silverman stated the bottom line – based on how many actual accidents. We haven't had any major accidents at the intersection – have above and below. Ms. Porter stated Mr. Dugas mentioned he would put in a roundabout. Ms. Carney gave an update regarding Hancock – the traffic engineer and NHDOT were removing the traffic islands and making the speed limit constant. They were removing the passing lane for the truck lane going up the hill, keeping the lights and relining it. Linda Reinhart shared that they have been in Fitzwilliam for 15 years and has seen an increase in traffic over that last 5 years. People go through the intersection at 50 mph. If no way to slow traffic down we'll have major/serious accidents.

Mr. Durmer shared the state knows the cost and we won't know if we don't ask – we assume it would be too much and it's the most comprehensive plan per Mr. Dugas. Mr. Holman asked if we applied for the most costly option and don't get – would we apply for it again? Mr. Durmer commented we could challenge them on that. Look at the island – ends before the post office – so as not to interfere with people's driveways. People would accelerate and by the time they get to intersection they would be back up to 50 mph. Ask first and be rejected. Ms. Porter stated she doesn't get that from Mr. Dugas - designs - pedestrian and safety. If you want a roundabout ask for it. Ms. Porter shared the Selectmen were the make or break here. Ms. Silverman stated she got their point.

The Selectmen would be putting out the request for people to weigh in and summarizing what happened at the meeting. Ms. Silverman doesn't want people to vote for this option or that option – want them to say why. Not voting – asking for input and the Selectmen would deliberate on whatever input was received. Mr. Buonomano stated if you ask people what they want – might be helpful to ask them what they don't want. Ms. Porter stated it was great that it has come back around and a good sign that Mr. Dugas came here. Mr. Durmer thanked the Selectmen for having the meeting. Ms. Silverman stated she wasn't ready to go one way or the other - waiting for more information.

*** CONSTRUCTION PERMIT

Map 10, Lot 44 – Ms. Carney made a motion to approve the permit for Map 10, Lot 44. Mr. Holman seconded. Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

Map 29, Lot 16 – Mr. Holman made a motion to approve the permit for Map 29, Lot 16. Ms. Carney seconded. Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

Map 8, Lot 33 – Mr. Holman made a motion to approve the permit for Map 8, Lot 33. Ms. Carney seconded. Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

Map 7, Lot 7 – Mr. Holman made a motion to approve the permit for Map 7, Lot 7. Ms. Carney seconded. Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. Approved – 3-0

*** CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF COMPLETE STREETS

- Do we want to meet with Mary Brunner from Southwest Region Planning Commission

Ms. Favreau shared that it was discussed whether the Selectmen wanted Mary Brunner from SWRPC to meet with them. Ms. Silverman stated until the Selectmen figure out what we want to do it was premature to bring in SWRPC. We need to discuss what was realistic for us with the Complete Streets concept. Mr. Cuomo has a list of roads that he would be working on and we could look down 2-3 years to determine what Mr. Cuomo was planning to do.

Ms. Silverman asked about paving. Ms. Carney stated the company could only do parts of the paving and Mr. Cuomo didn't want it done until the company could pave all at once.

Mr. Holman stated he understood where Ms. Silverman was coming from but he would be disappointed if we didn't do something. Mr. Holman mentioned that it was more of an informational program and we could put together a group to work on it. Mr. Holman stated all that was needed was to have the Selectmen authorize it. Ms. Silverman shared incorporating it into when work was done on the roads – to look at roads we already have and look at what roads we would be working on. Go through a checklist to determine what was rational to do. Ms. Carney shared her thinking was to take to town meeting and if this was something we wanted to do, we would want the town's input on how far we go. With a plan from Mr. Cuomo on what roads he would be working on and put together information on what it means - not everyone would get Complete Streets. There is a lot of misconception on what Complete Streets are. Spend the next few months educating people on what it is. Mr. Holman stated it was correct that it wasn't all roads. It is more of an analysis of what we have. Mr. Holman shared what he has advocated for the most was to create an inventory – it is a very important step especially if working on the trails. Mr. Holman also shared the Lions Club voted to give \$8,000 to the Town of Troy and voted to do the same for Fitzwilliam next year – if we were going to do Complete Streets.

Ms. Favreau asked if two separate issues. Mr. Holman stated some trails would end on their own and for some would think of how to extend. Ms. Silverman stated that she would like to take another week to look at. Ms. Carney shared that trails and Complete Streets – not talking about both in the same sentence. She doesn't want to have discussion of them together - keep separate - look more into it. Ms. Carney mentioned that SWRPC has been south looking at trails and taking measurements.

Ms. Silverman stated the Selectmen would discuss next week.

*** DISCUSS CIP COMMITTEE

Ms. Silverman shared that Matt Buonomano needed to resign from the CIP Committee. Ms. Favreau shared that both he and Paul Haynes are on the Planning Board, so a new at-large member was needed for CIP. Mr. Holman asked when the CIP Committee would start meeting. Ms. Carney stated the Budget and CIP Committees begin meeting at the end of October. The Selectmen agreed to come up with some ideas over the next couple of weeks of who might want to serve on CIP.

*** REVIEW INFORMATION FROM SCULLY ARCHITECTS

Ms. Silverman reviewed the bid for the railings from Scully Architects. The bid was incomplete as it doesn't go all the way up to the steeple. Ms. Silverman asked Board members what they wanted to do. The Selectmen agreed they wanted to see a more complete bid from Scully Architects. Ms. Silverman shared that they had promised Bill Harper they wouldn't give away his bid information. Ms. Silverman asked Ms. Favreau to contact Scully Architects and ask for a bid on the entire project.

Ms. Silverman asked about the clean-up of the tower. Mr. Holman asked if we would close it up so we don't have to clean up again next year. Ms. Favreau would check into. The Selectmen agreed they needed additional information on the cost in order to move forward.

*** REVIEW INFORMATION FOR WEBSITE – Rt. 12 & Rt. 119

Ms. Silverman liked the survey and shared Frank Bequaert had given some input. Ms. Silverman shared that a deadline was needed for responses and asked Ms. Favreau if she was putting information in the newsletter. Mr. Holman suggested making the deadline October 10th. Ms. Favreau noted that it would be posted at the Post Office and on the website. Ms. Favreau mentioned putting the survey out in the hallway on Tuesday (Primary day). The Selectmen liked this idea and asked that the two options be put in the hallway as well. The Selectmen reviewed the two options.

*** REVIEW TOWN CLERK AUDIT

Ms. Silverman reviewed the audit. Ms. Favreau shared there was one observation noted in that DMV should have been notified of the change in bonding companies. This oversight has been corrected. Mr. Holman asked if there was anything else that we needed to do when changing insurance companies.

*** SIGN ORDINANCE

Ms. Favreau shared at the last Selectmen's meeting, the Selectmen agreed that the Land Use office would handle the sign permit process. Ms. Favreau read the sign ordinance. The Selectmen agreed to keep the sign permit process in the Selectmen's Office.

*** DISCUSS LETTER FROM WELFARE DIRECTOR MARY DREW NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A:3 II(b)

At 8:33 p.m. Mr. Holman made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II(b). Ms. Carney seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. At 8:43 p.m. Mr. Holman made a motion to leave non-public session and seal the minutes as disclosure would adversely affect the reputation of the person other than a member of the board. Ms. Carney seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes.

*** NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A:3 II(b)

At 8:43 p.m. Mr. Holman made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II(b). Ms. Carney seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. At 8:51 p.m. Mr. Holman made a motion to leave non-public session and seal the minutes as disclosure would adversely affect the reputation of the person other than a member of the board. Ms. Carney seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes.

*** NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A:3 II(e)

At 8:51 p.m. Mr. Holman made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II(e). Ms. Carney seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes. At 8:59 p.m. Mr. Holman made a motion to leave non-public session and seal the minutes as disclosure would adversely affect the reputation of the person other than a member of the board. Ms. Carney seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Roll Call vote: Ms. Carney - Yes, Mr. Holman - Yes, Ms. Silverman - Yes.

OTHER BUSINESS

ON-GOING BUSINESS

-Prime Wetlands Study – Rick Van de Poll will be meeting with the Selectmen and Conservation Commission on October 17, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

| vii. Hoiman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6.59 p.m. lws. Co | arriey seconded and the motion passed. 3-0 |
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| Submitted by: | |
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